## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

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v. Case No. 05-71487

ROBERT MONDAVI WINERY, FRANCISCAN VINEYARDS, INC., and CANADAIGUA WINE.

HONORABLE AVERN COHN

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Defendants.

## ORDER DISMISSING CASE

This case raised the question of a supplier's right to terminate a distributor. Plaintiff's complaint alleged the following claims (1) that defendants violated several sections of the Wine Franchise Act, M.C.L. § 436.1305 (the Act) in seeking to terminate plaintiff, (2) that defendants breached the parties' contract by terminating plaintiff, (3) that defendant tortiously interfered with plaintiff's business relationships and expectations because other parties had learned of the termination, (4) a declaratory ruling as to the scope of plaintiff's territory. Plaintiff sought money damages and injunctive relief. The basic dispute centered around the scope of plaintiff's sales territory.

Plaintiff's claim for injunctive relief was tried to the Court. On August 25, 2005, the Court denied plaintiff's request for injunctive relief directed toward prohibiting

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defendant from terminating the distributorship relationship between the parties due to

plaintiff's breach. This determination included a finding that defendant had good cause

to terminate plaintiff as a distributor. Plaintiff now argues it has a right to go to trial on

its claim for damages. In light of the Court's determination in its August 25, 2005

decision, plaintiff has no claims for violation of the Act, for breach of contract, or for

tortious interference. As fully detailed in defendants' papers, the August 25, 2005

decision necessarily and explicitly rejected all of plaintiff's claims. As such, this case is

at an end and is DISMISSED.

SO ORDERED.

s/Avern Cohn\_

AVERN COHN
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Dated: November 10, 2005 Detroit, Michigan